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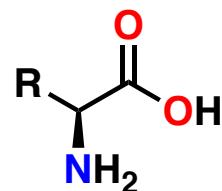
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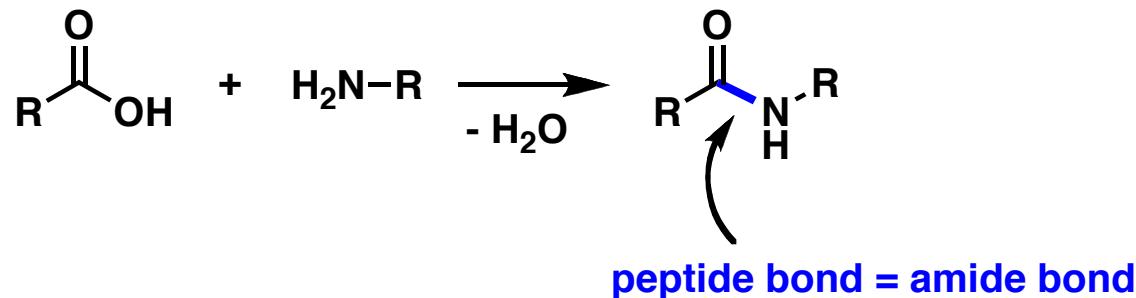
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Amino acids, Peptides, Proteins: Introduction

Chapter 22



α -amino acid

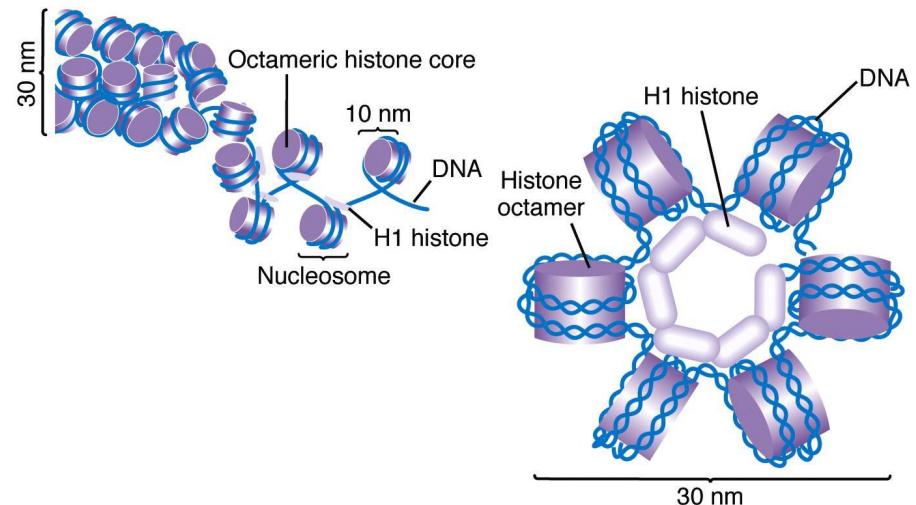
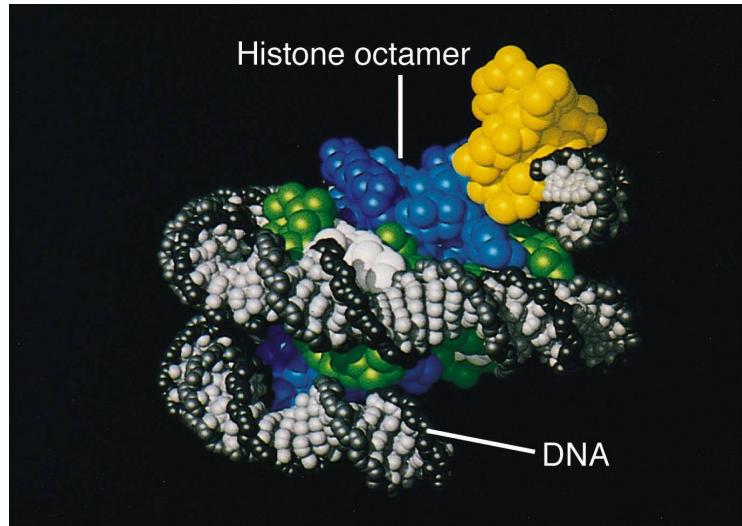


Proteins: Function

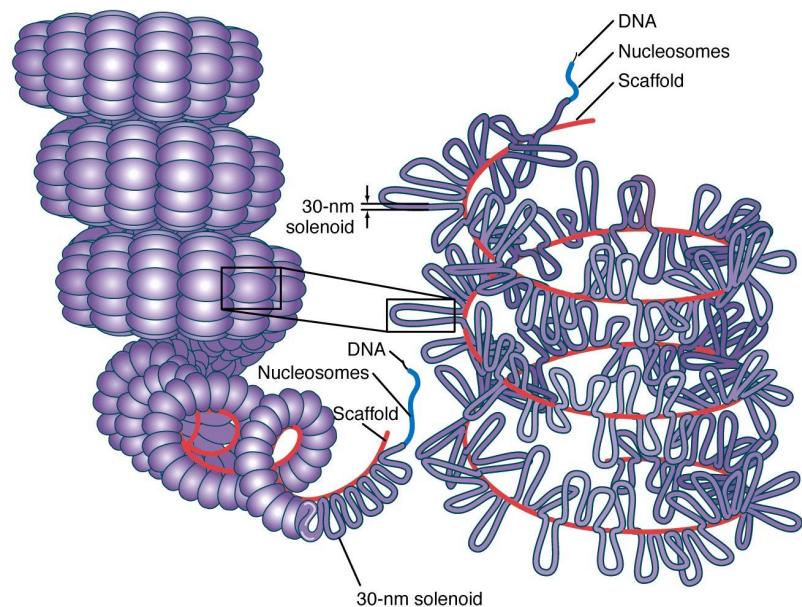
Table 22.1 Examples of the Many Functions of Proteins in Biological Systems

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|---------------------------------------|---|
| Structural proteins | These proteins impart strength to biological structures or protect organisms from their environment. For example, collagen is the major component of bones, muscles, and tendons; keratin is the major component of hair, hooves, feathers, fur, and the outer layer of skin. |
| Protective proteins | Snake venoms and plant toxins protect their owners from predators. Blood-clotting proteins protect the vascular system when it is injured. Antibodies and peptide antibiotics protect us from disease. |
| Enzymes | Enzymes are proteins that catalyze the reactions that occur in living systems. |
| Hormones | Some of the hormones, such as insulin, that regulate the reactions that occur in living systems are proteins. |
| Proteins with physiological functions | These proteins are responsible for physiological functions such as the transport and storage of oxygen in the body, the storage of oxygen in the muscles, and the contraction of muscles. |

Proteins: Structural



Histone Protein Structure: DNA packaging

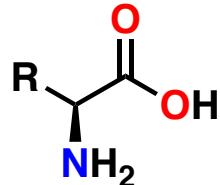


Proteins: Protective

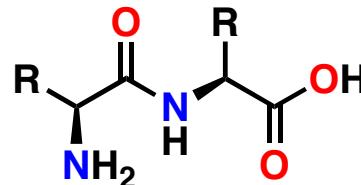


**botulinum toxin (botox) structure
most toxic substance known**

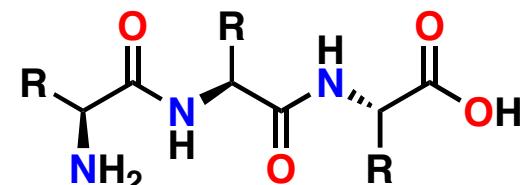
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α -amino acid



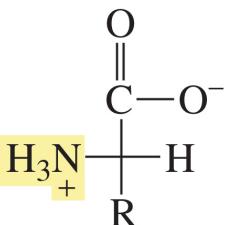
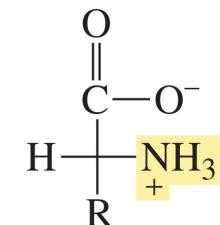
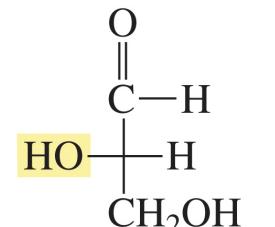
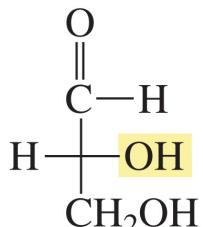
dipeptide



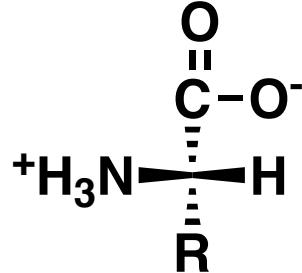
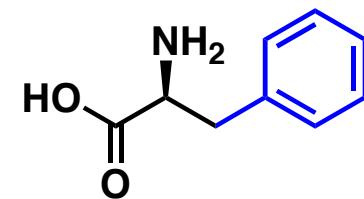
tripeptide

- ✓ **oligopeptide: 3 - 10 amino acids**
- ✓ **polypeptide, or protein: many amino acids**

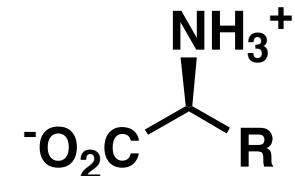
Proteins: Amino Acids, Configuration



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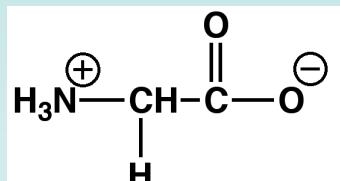


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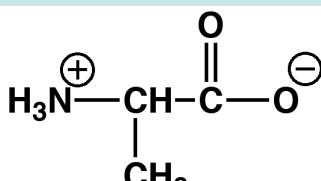


Classification of Amino Acids

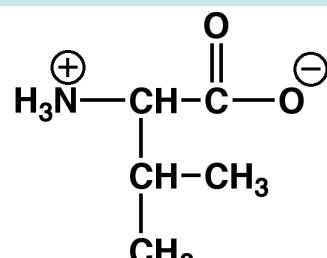
- **Hydrophobic: water-fearing, nonpolar side chains**
 - Alkyl side chain
- **Hydrophilic: water-loving side chains**
 - Polar, neutral side chains
 - Anionic
 - Cationic



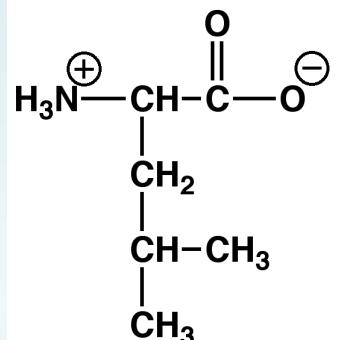
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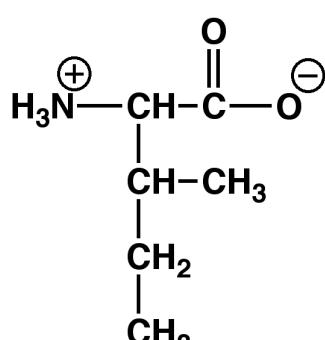
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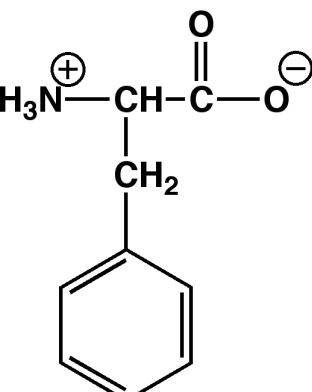
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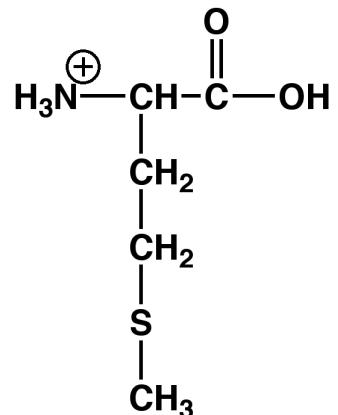
Leucine



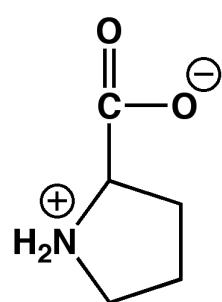
Isoleucine



Phenylalanine

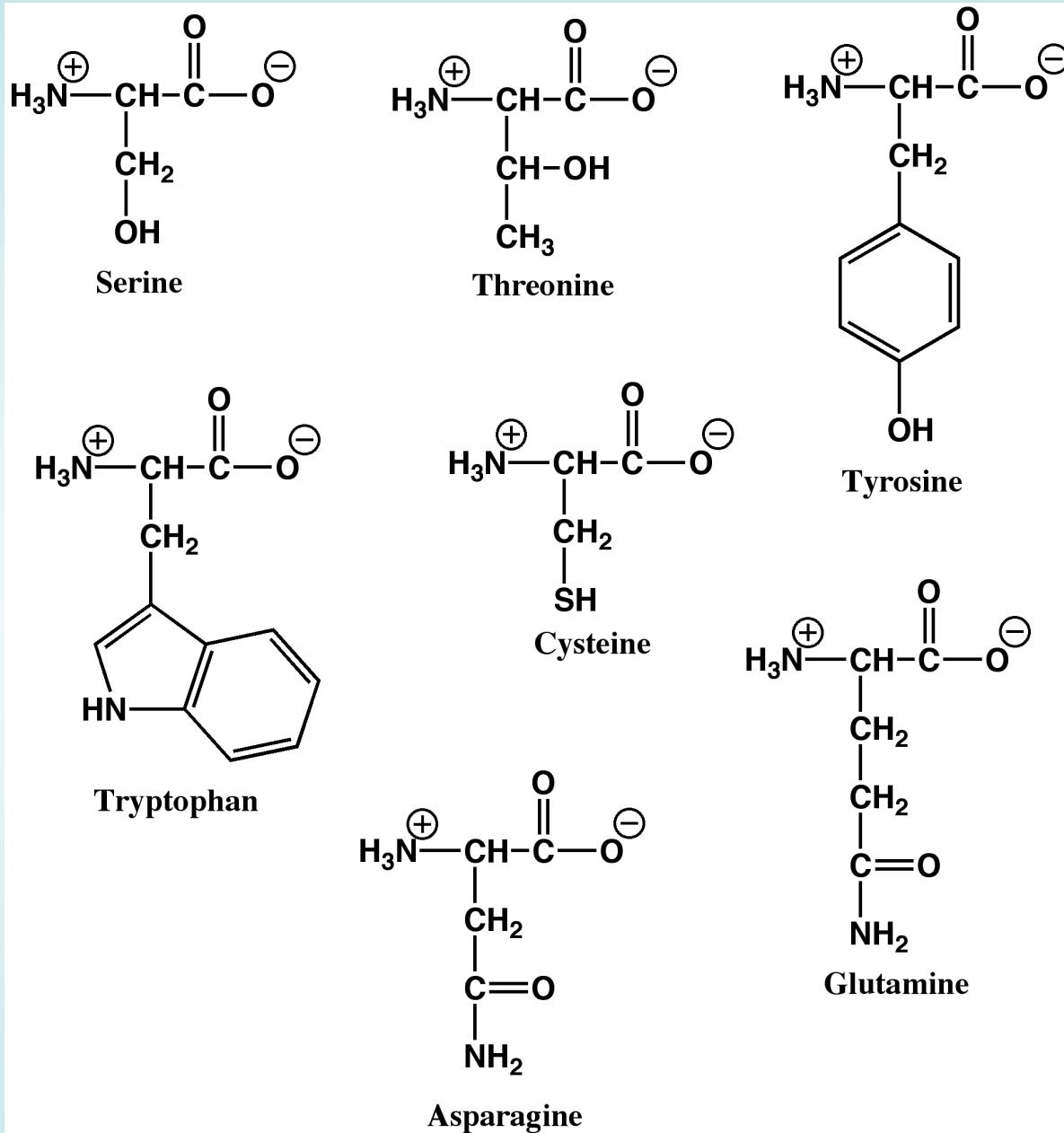


Methionine



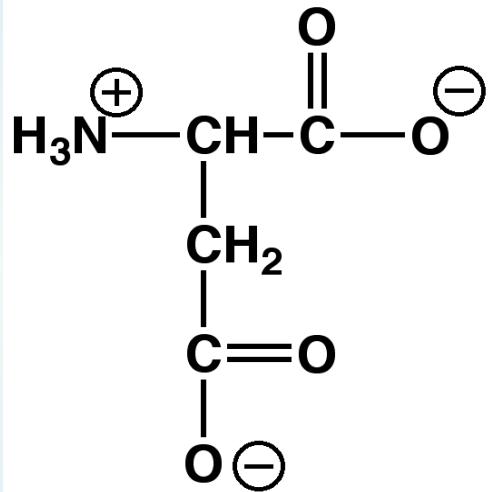
Proline

Nonpolar
Side Chains

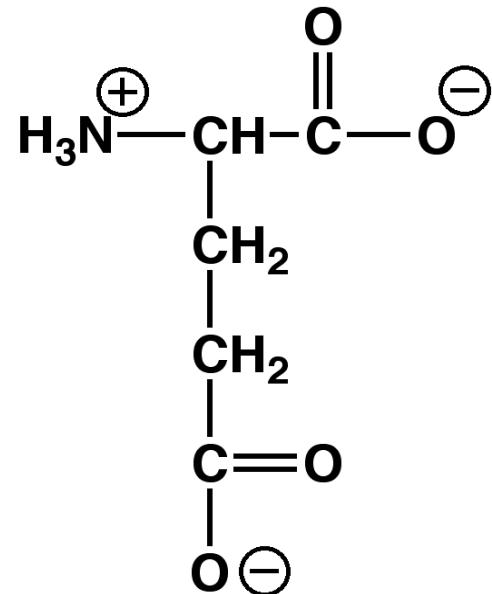


Polar, Neutral Side Chains

Polar, Acidic Side Chains

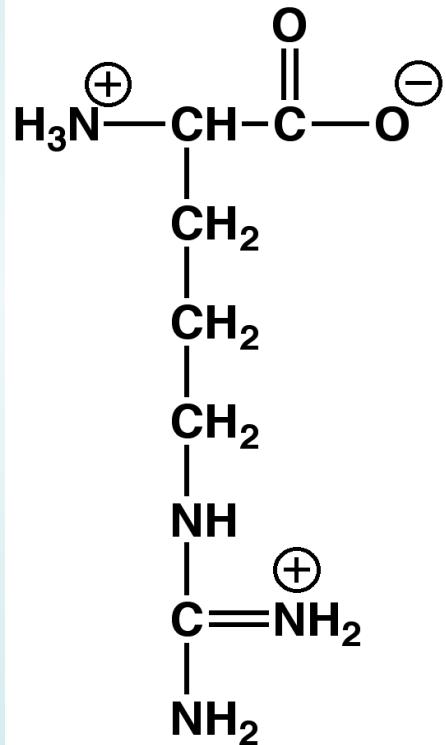


Aspartic Acid

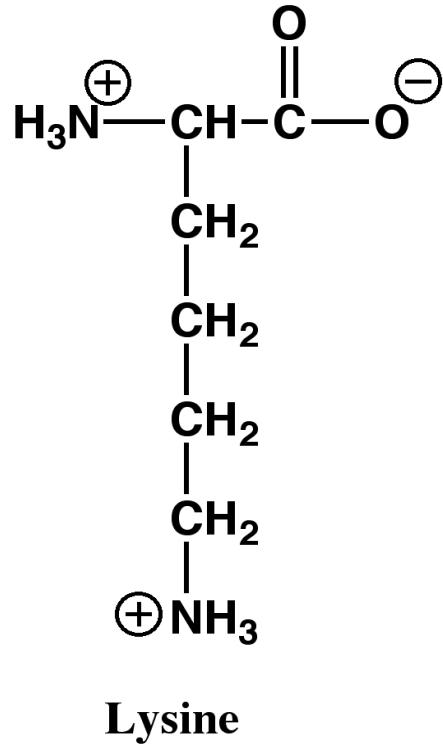


Glutamic Acid

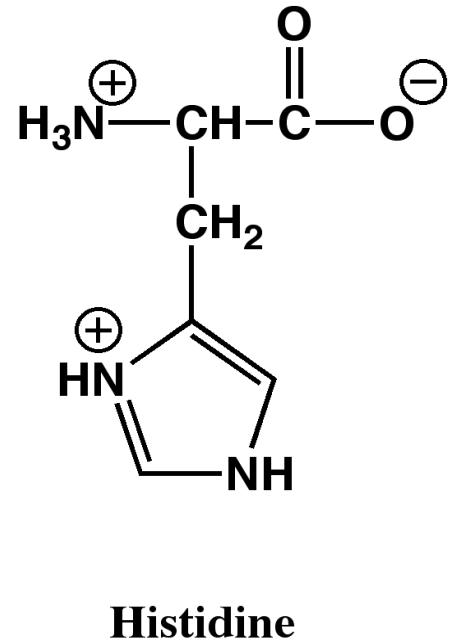
Basic, Polar Side Chains



Arginine



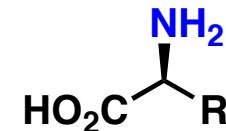
Lysine



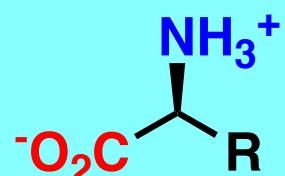
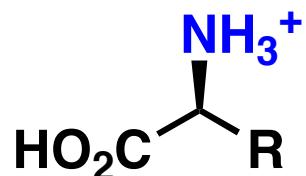
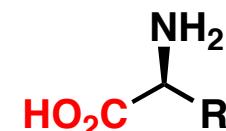
Histidine

Amino acids: Zwitterions

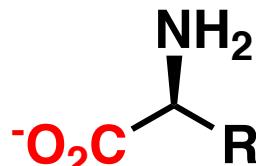
✓ contain the amino group



✓ contain the carboxylic acid group:



a zwitterion



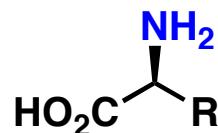
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pH = 7

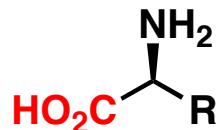
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Amino acids: Zwitterions

pKa of amino acids:



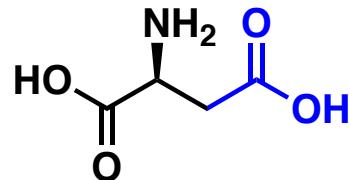
α -amino: 8.84 - 10.60



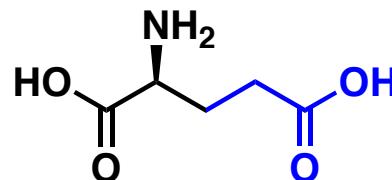
carboxylic acid: 1.82 - 2.63

Amino acids: Zwitterions

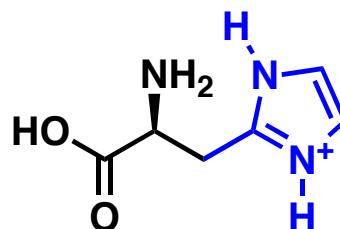
pKa of side-chains:



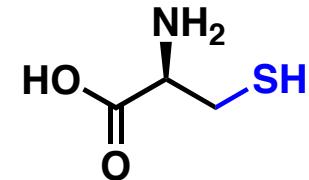
aspartic acid



glutamic acid



histidine



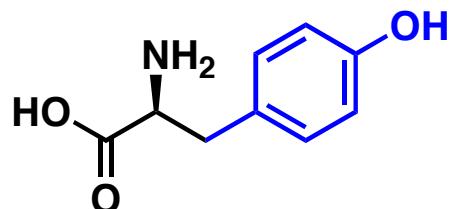
cysteine

pKa 3.86

pKa 4.25

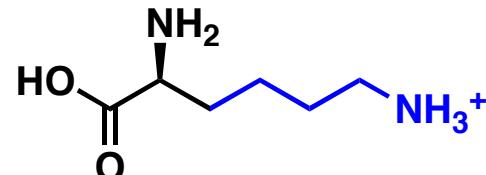
pKa 6.04

pKa 8.35



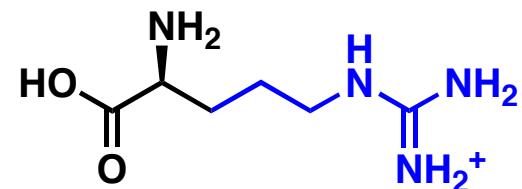
tyrosine

pKa 10.07



lysine

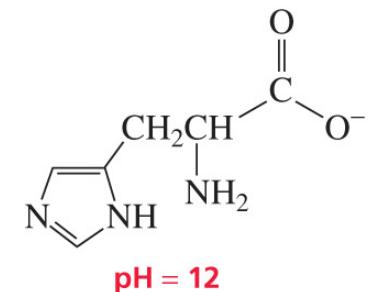
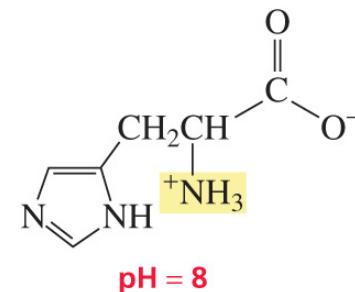
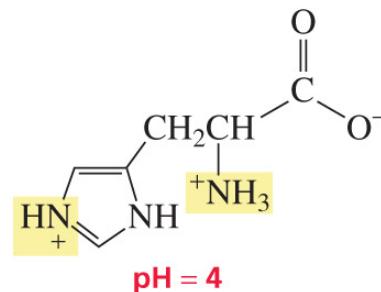
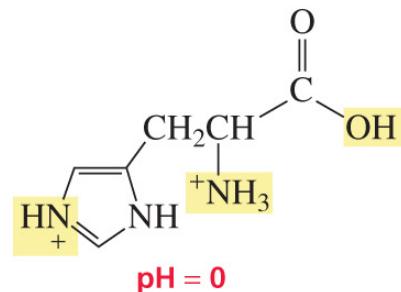
pKa 10.79



arginine

pKa 12.48

Amino acids: Zwitterions



histidine

Amino acids: Zwitterions

PROBLEM 8

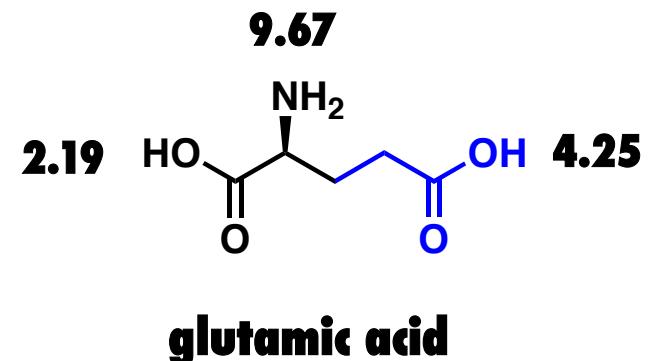
Draw the predominant form of glutamic acid in a solution with the following pH:

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b. 3

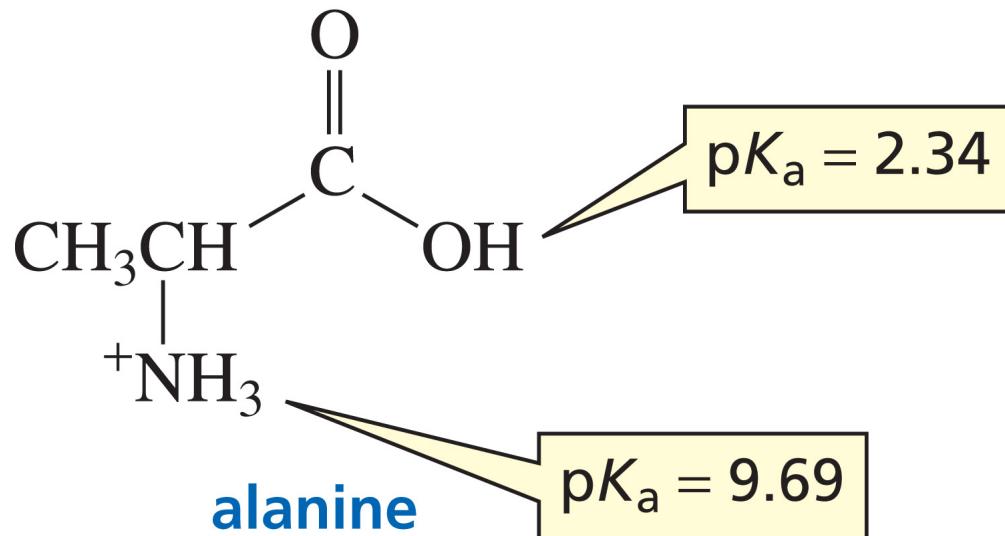
c. 6

d. 11



Amino acids: Isoelectric Point (pI)

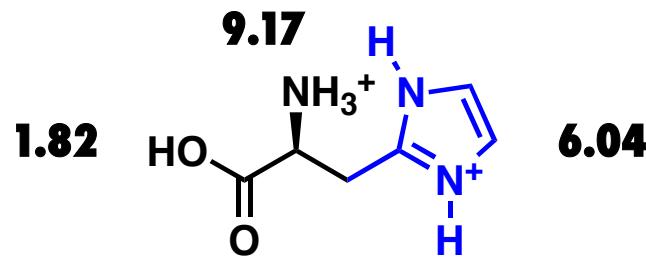
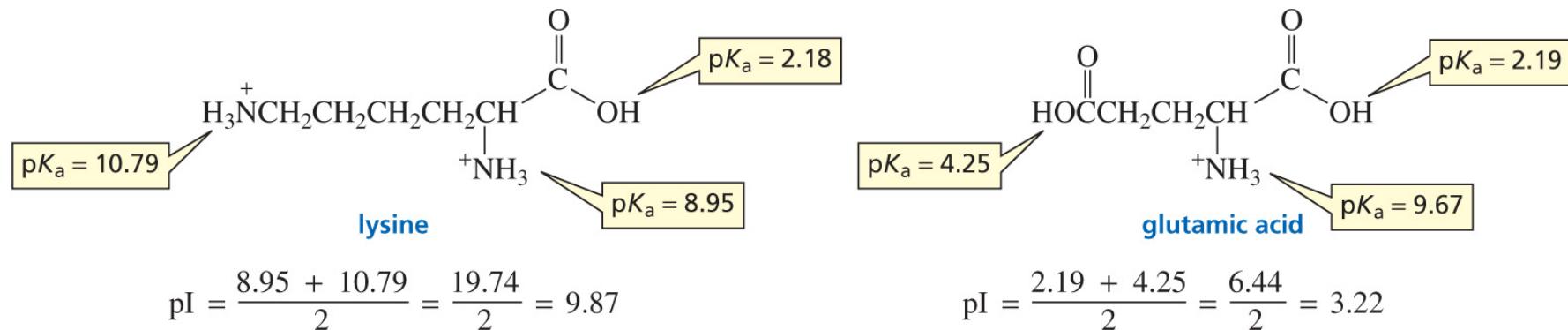
pI of amino acid is pH at which it has no net charge



$$\text{pI} = \frac{2.34 + 9.69}{2} = \frac{12.03}{2} = 6.02$$

Amino acids: Isoelectric Point (pI)

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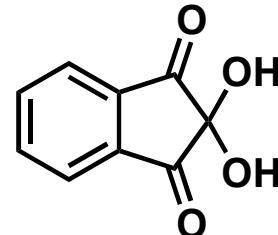
similarly ionizing groups

Amino acids: Separation/Purification

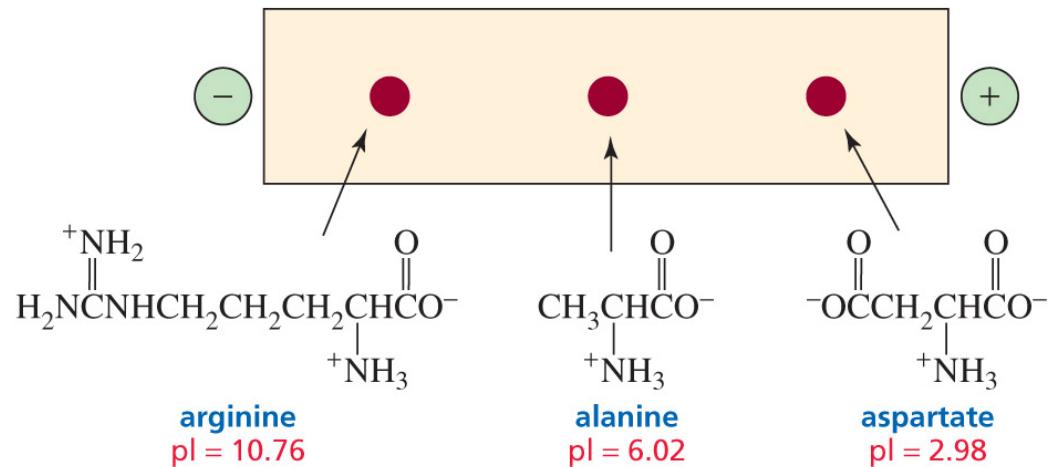
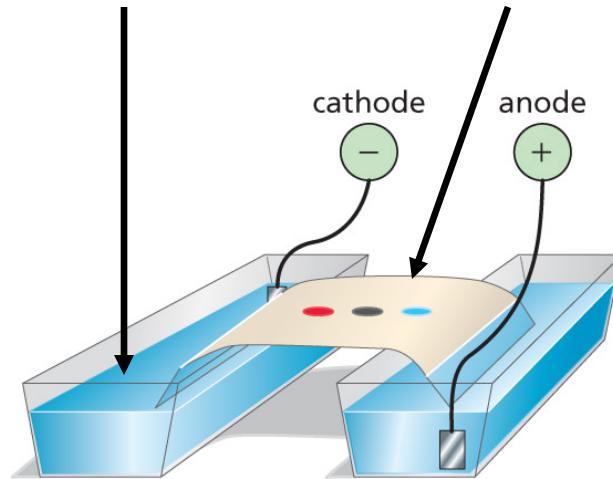
✓ electrophoresis

based on **pI** values of amino acids

visualized with ninhydrin:



buffer paper or gel



arginine, alanine, and aspartate separated at pH = 5

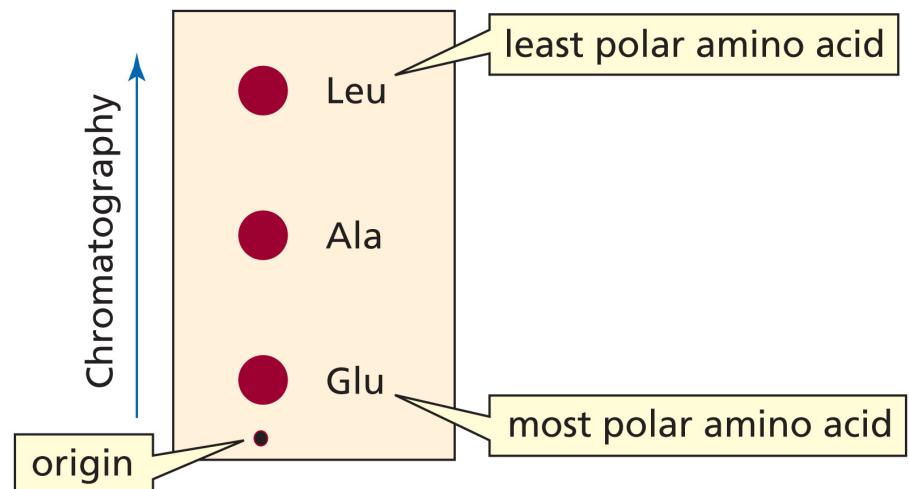
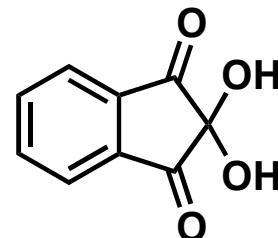
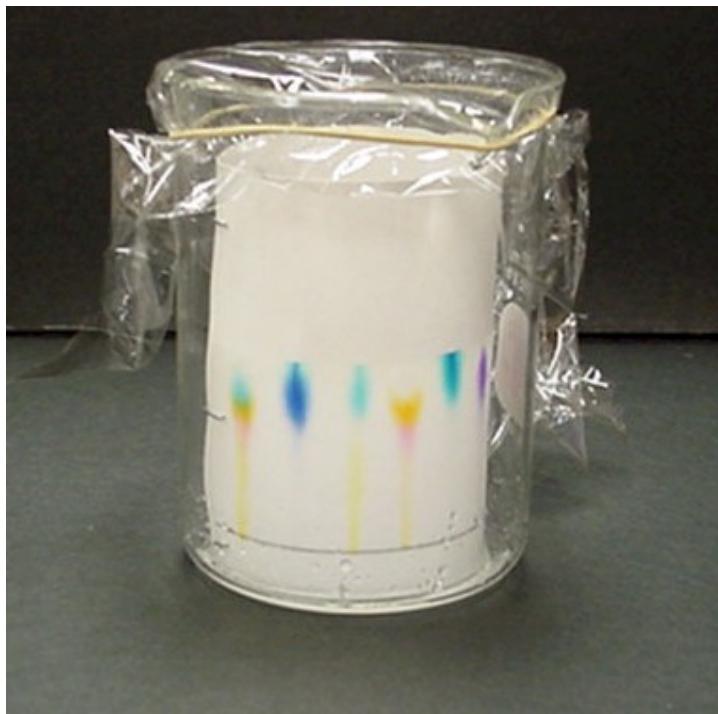
Amino acids: Separation/Purification



paper/thin layer chromatography

based on polarity

visualized with ninhydrin:



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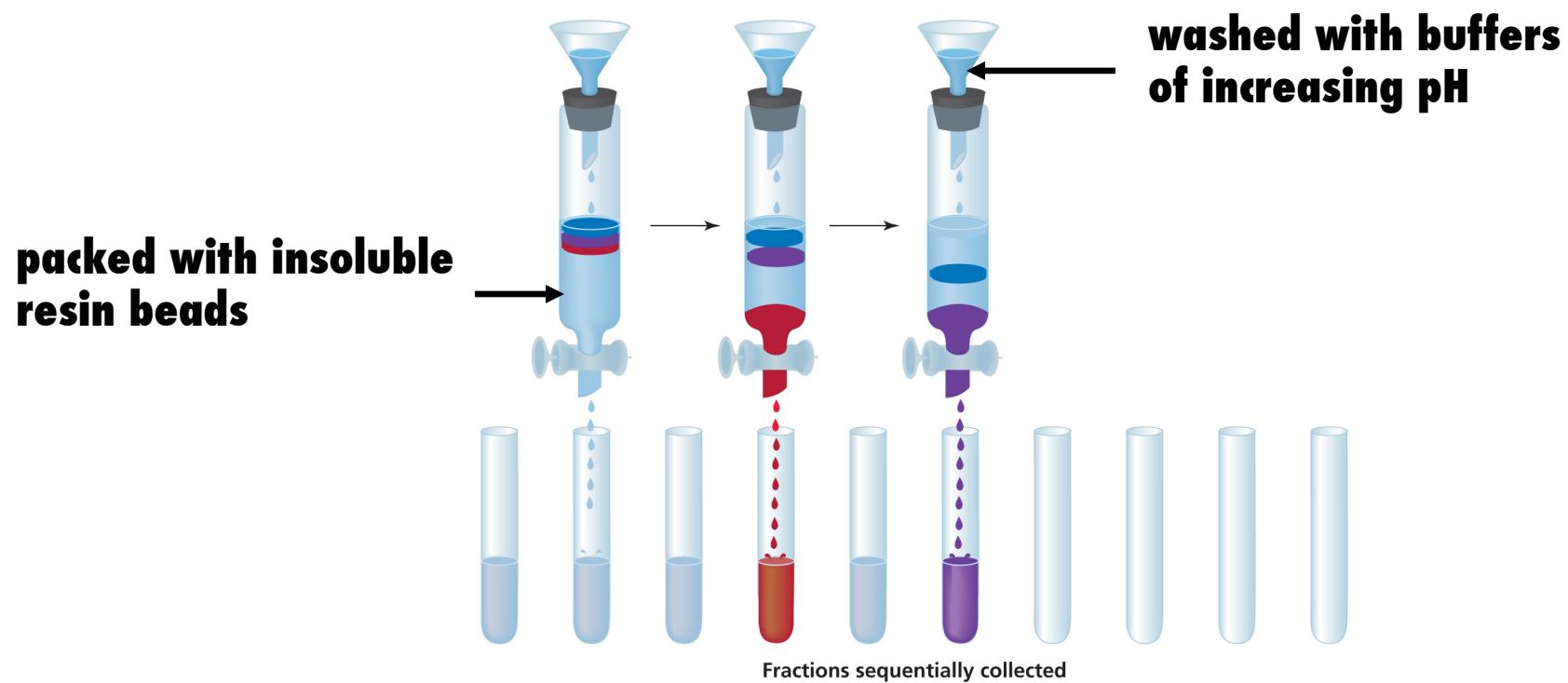
glutamate, alanine, and leucine²¹

Amino acids: Separation/Purification



ion-exchange chromatography

**based on ions/charge
used on preparative scale**

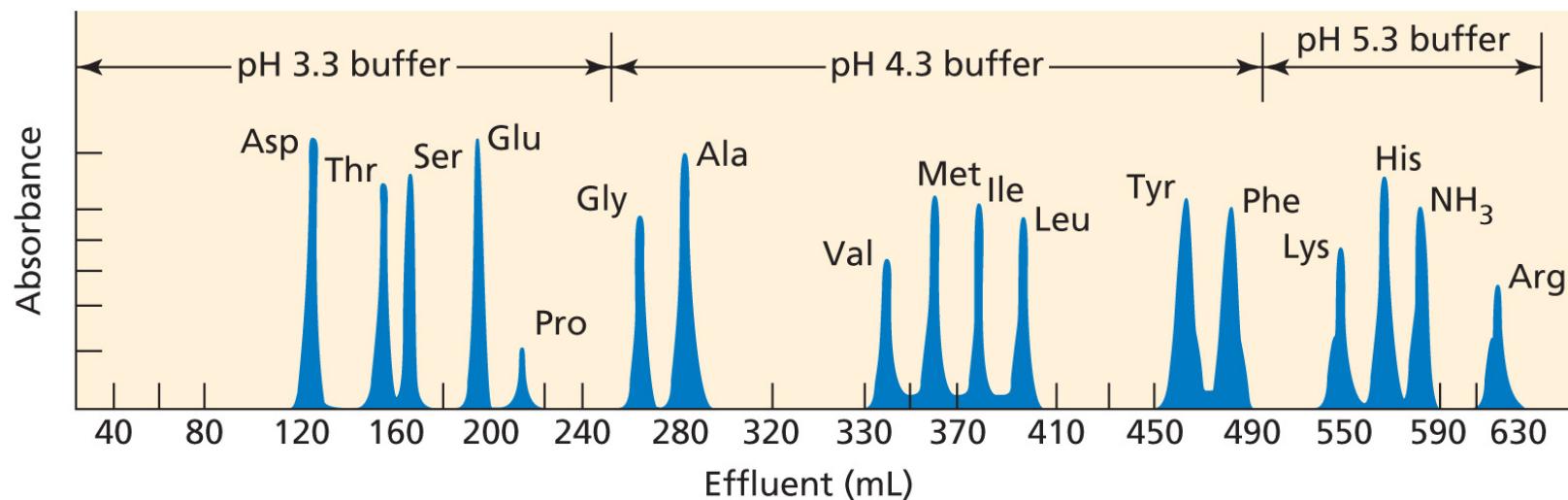


Amino acids: Separation/Purification

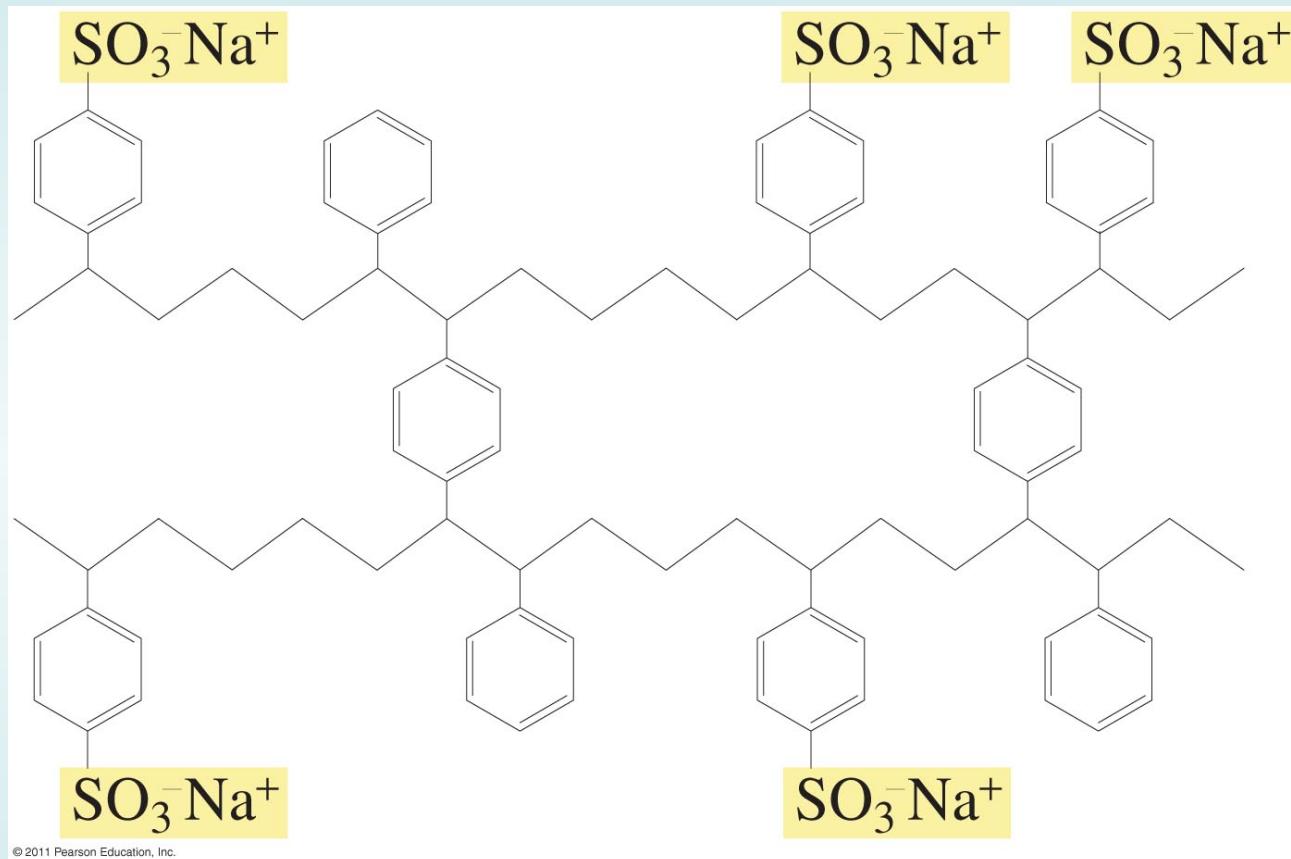


ion-exchange chromatography

A typical chromatogram obtained from separation of amino acids using an automated analyzer



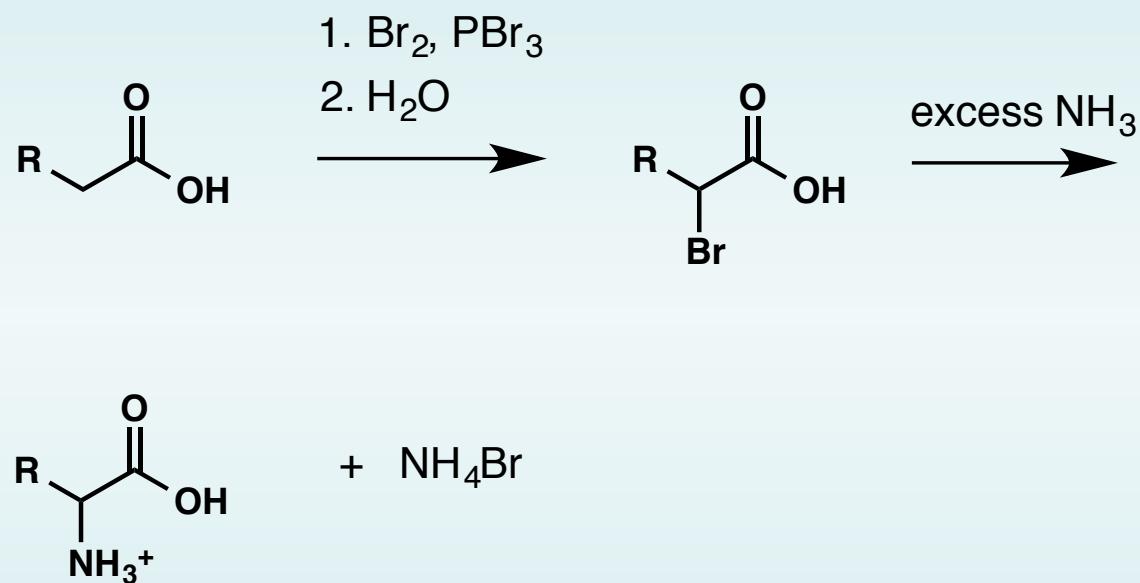
Ion-exchange chromatography can be used to perform preparative separation of amino acids:



Negatively charged resin binds selectively to positively charged amino acids

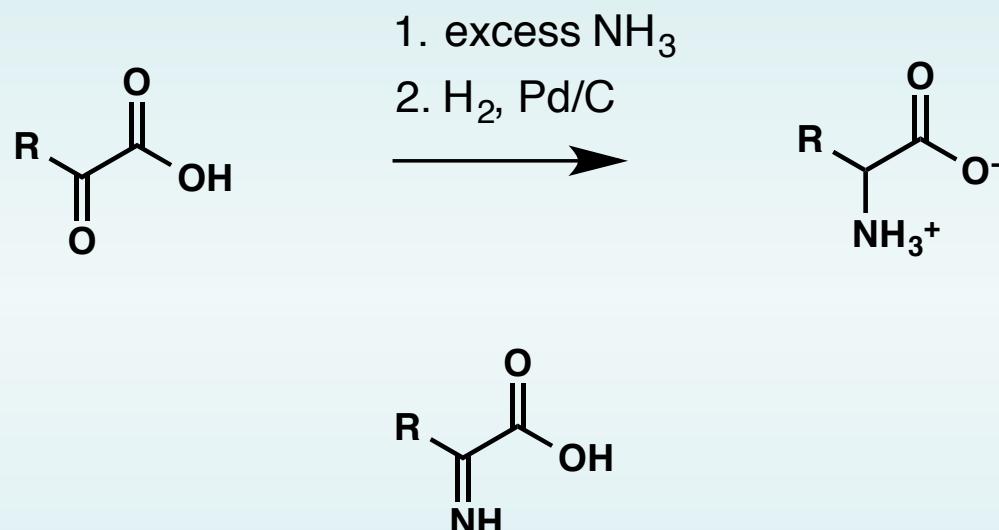
Amino acid synthesis: HVZ reaction

Hell-Volhardt-Zelinski reaction, see Section 18.5



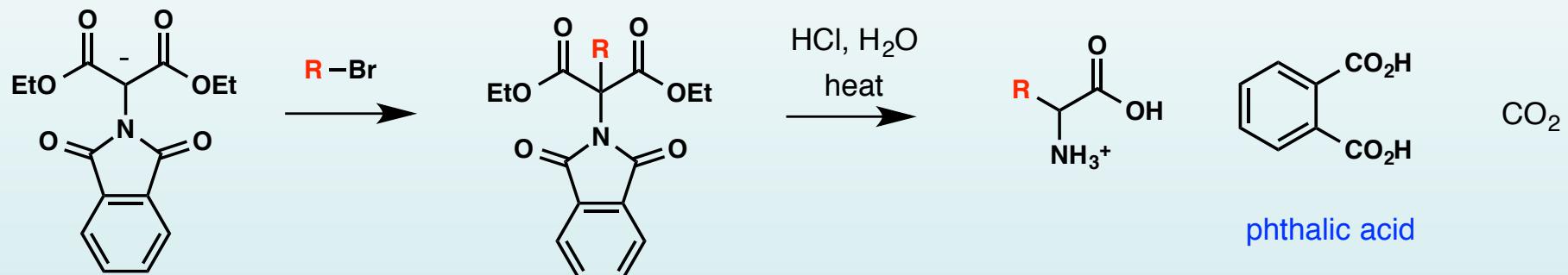
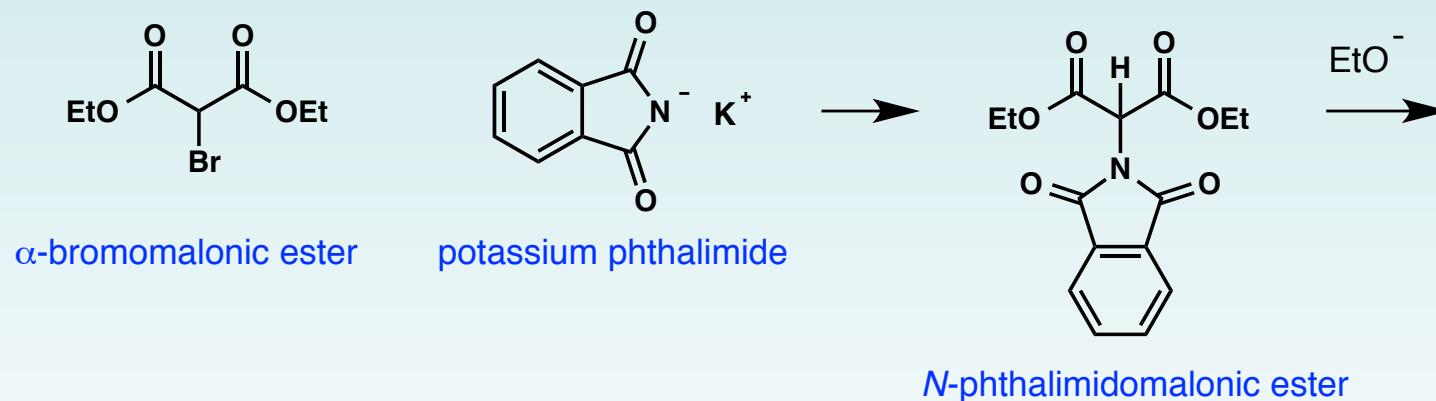
Amino acid synthesis: reductive amination

review Section 17.10



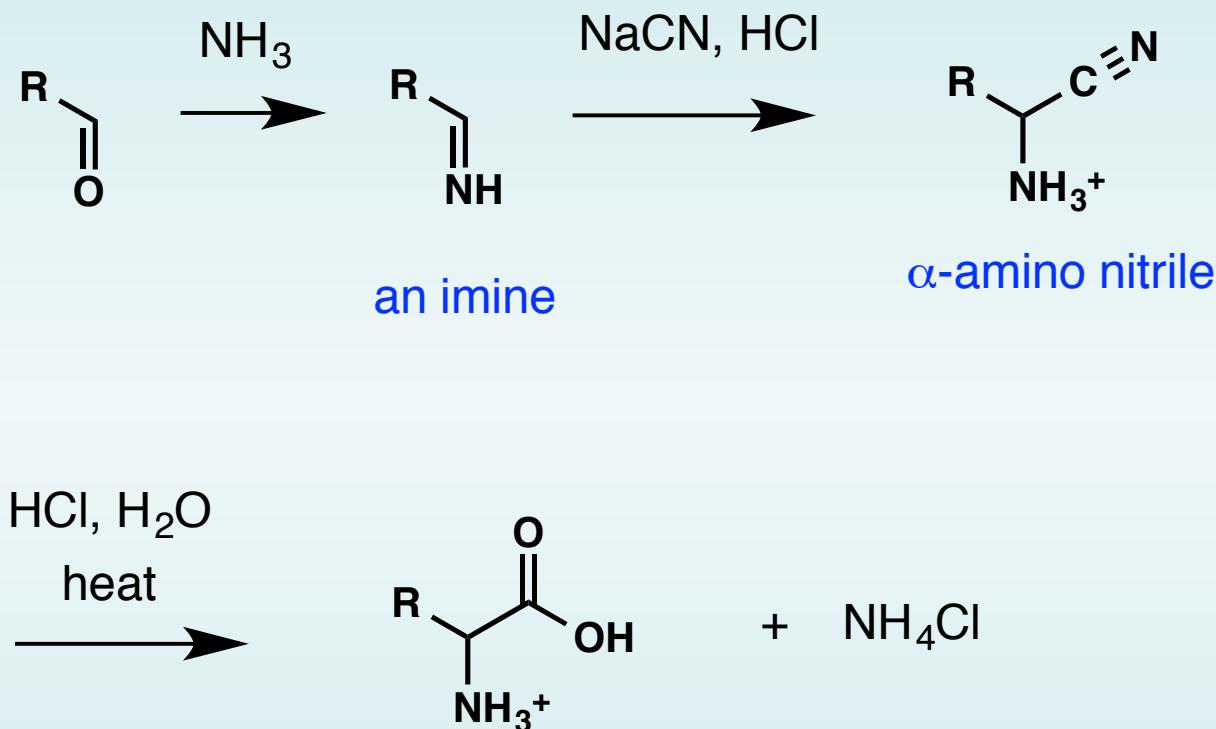
intermediate

Amino acid synthesis: *N*-phthalimidomalonic



review Sections 18.18, 16.18, and 18.1

Amino acid synthesis: Strecker synthesis



review Section 16.19 for nitrile hydrolysis